SCHOLASTIC KICKERS.

The Two Leagues to Commence Operations

### WHEEL HORSES OF CONGRESS. REPRESENTATIVES WHO ARE ALWAYS

AT THEIR POST OF DUTY. William S. Holman, Henry G. Turner, Leonidas F. Livingston, David B. Culberson, William C. Oates, and Others Pictured, WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—The House is at times an evanescent body. Nearly 150 members live within a day's ride of the Capitol. Half of

this number, at least, can reach home within ten hours, and many of them are within six hours' ride of the Capitol. It is this fact that makes a quorum of the House at times evanescent. A quorum present for business is a requirement of the Constitution. Adding to this number of absentees those who are absent on business or on account of sickness, it is very easy to account for the frequent want of a quorum. On party matters whenever it is necessary to emphasize this absence, the Republicans refuse to vote, thus making it sometimes difficult to secure a quorum. Indeed, only measures of great national importance fill the seats in the chamber. When a final vote has been taken upon any great measure the quorum seems to vanish like the mists of morning. Those who live nearest to the Canitol are the ones who are usually absent when minor topics are discussed.

There may be a quorum present in the city without being made manifest in the House. ores of members are tramping the departments in the interest of their constituents with a deft eye to business in the House. A bill im-portant to the interests of their section of the country may draw them to their legislative duties, but they evidently consider that their mmediate constituents are more interested in offices than in bills drawn in the interest of those who live far away. Some Congressmen appear for a day or two in each week, make a short speech on some unimportant matter so as to secure a place in press despatches, and then disappear. They are like carrier pigeons. flying home on the first opportunity and distributing intelligence. Others vanish for wasks for months and in two cases for years without being recorded on a yea or may vote.

Even among the steady attendants of the sessions of the House there are very few hard workers. The man who talks the most as a usual thing works the least. There are outriders and cavorters around the legislative coach and a very few wheel horses. Judge Holman has been a wheel horse for a quarter of a century. No man can estimate the value

coach and a very few wheel horses. Judge Holman has been a wheel horse for a quarter of a century. No man can estimate the value of his services to the country, but age and hard work is telling upon him. He pulls in the traces as steadily as ever, but has not the strength and endurance characterizing him in former years. The old wheel horses are giving place to the new, and among the new ones are some well worthy of mention.

Georgia has two Democratic wheel horses in the legislative traces. One is a man of great experience and of acknowledged ability. He is a member of the Committee of Ways and Means, and has seen much service on this committee. He is Henry G. Turner of Quitman. He has taken a very active part in all the hearings before the Committee of Ways and Means, and, like Speaker Crisp, was at one time Chairman of the Committee work. he is a power on the floor of the House. His speeches, though few, are well seasoned, and carry great welght. There is nothing dramatic or theatrical about him. He speaks calmly and dispassionately, confining himself to the point at issue, and clucidating facts very clearly and convincingly. Extremely courteous in bearing and language, he commands both the attention and the consideration of all who hear him. He is one of the steadiest and strongest of the wheel horses in the House. The nation, let alone his State, could filly afford to lose him.

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over the Conyers lost Office gave him a national reputation, but his work in a national reputation, but his work in a national reputation, but his work in the Committee and on the floor of the House ought to make his fame enduring. There is the true Georgia grit about him and no mistake. Neither threats nor persuasion will ever drive him with the herd. His disposition in his face and number him and no mistake. Neither threats nor persuasion will ever drive him with the herd. His disposition in his face and number him an ever been knocked out, and never him be while life lasts.

Trobably the steadlest, most lovable, and influential wheel-horse in the House is bayld it. Culberson of Texas. Broad-shouldered, full-chested, unobtrusive in manner and disposition, he commands the confidence and responsible. Name Bestley, yer an it sorth sort good for the Committee on Judiciary, he wields an untold power. Like Turner, he evinces no eagerness to enter into a discussion, but once in it he educidates the situation so clearly and crystallizes it in such few words as to carry sincere conviction. In deed, and disposition of the House, and none more influential without dispute and without a word of protest. In this he estands without a word of protest in this he estands without a word of protest in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a word of protests in this he estands without a superior among Chairman of committees. He is as a formation of the House, and none more influential. Another member of the Committee on the stage of the committee on the stage of the committee of the committee on the stage of the committee on the stage of He has had his Chancellorsville and his Gettys-burg in legislative experience, as well as on she open fleid. His fight on behalf of the Tor-rey bankruptcy bill has been exceeded only by his fight against the Direct Tax He-funding bill in the Fiftieth Congress. Indeed, Oates takes searcely any rest. He is on the stump in the South in every political campaign, Nor does he confine his efforts to his own State. He walks over into Georgia and Florida and awakens the echoes on behalf of State ights and a strict construction of the Consti-

league. Patterson, like Livingston, is a picturesque figure in the Heuse. He talks like an old-time lawyer in the flush days of Alabama and Mississippi. His speeches are replete with logic and good sense, and awaken the utmost interest. It is safe to say that the Memphis district has never been more ably represented. So much for the Democratic wheel horses. Singular to say, all those mentioned served in the Confouerate army. There are no more patriotic and trustworthy men in the House. They represent hard work and steady pulling. Of course, there are Northern Democrats who do sometimes very brilliant work, but the old steady pullers from the North seem to have been supplanted by men good at a dash or a spurt, but not worth much for steady work at the plough. The men whose names have been mentioned are ever in their seats and always at work. Without them the crops would be filled with weeds, the roads overrun with water courses, and many a political field lie fallow. AMOS J. CUMMINGS.

### AN AMAZON OF THE CATSKILLS.

Stalwart Nance Bentley, Who Pought and

billed a Bear in Its Dea Two ladies sat in an up-town Broadway restaurant at luncheon. One of them, just returned from a late autumn sojourn among the Catekills, had been recounting to her friend the glories of the changing foliage and the pleasures of rustic life among the mountains at a season when they were not overrun

"So you were at Palensville during part of your stay!" said the listener at last. " Did you see or hear anything about my old friend. Nance Bentley, while there? No! She was a famous character in that part of the Catskills When I met ner there a dozen years ago she lived in a cabin on the mountain side, and used to go about selling berries to the Catakill boarding-house keepers in the season. At other times she would make a round of visits at the farmhouses, staying at each place long enough to be there over one washing day, as they call Monday in the country. She was fond of wandering over the mountains, and in this way became the heroine of a terrible bear fight which, I suppose, the people still talk about in the Catskill region. The story of that fight I had the distinction of hearing from her own lips.

"Nance introduced herself to me in a manner very characteristic of the woman. I was standing on the plazza of my boarding place. Hezekiah Diedrich's farmhouse, looking out upon the valley, when I heard somebody say: 'Hullo, stranger, whar d'yer come from? Be yer the gal from York as I see er ridin' onter Hezeki's wagon?'

"With this salutation, came a heavy slap on my shoulder, which, to say the least, was startling. The voice was so loud and harsh that I was a good deal surprised on wheeling round to find it to be that of a woman. And such a woman! Very nearly six feet in height, dressed in an old faded stuff dress, left unfastened at her throat, which was brown and brawny and terribly scarred. The skirt just reached to the top of a very heavy pair of hob-nailed shoes; around a waist of no slender proportions was buckled a broad leather belt, in which was stuck a long knife with a rough wooden handle; and on her head, with its growth of wiry, grizzled hair, she wore an old ragged sun bonnet. This was Nance Bentley. whose quaint sayings and doings were stock topics of conversation about Palensville and far beyond its confines. She talked with me at some length and ended by inviting me to visit

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"So some days afterward I drove up the mountain's side to her house, a cabin which contained only two small rooms. A bear was rolling around in front of it, tied by a chain, and snapping at flies. It was an enormous brute, and, although Nance said it was as gentle as a kitten. I preferred to keep it at respectful distance. After she had finished a long recital of her husband's illness and death and funeral, which events had occurred two years previous, she told me her bear story. It wish you could have heard her tell it in her rustic dialect, illustrating its exciting points by energetic gestures, and, at the close, displaying the scars of deep furrows torn in her neck, arms, and breast, by the hear's claws.

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"It was the day after the funeral," she said. The house seemed out of kilter, somewhat. I kinder missed the old man. So I jest went out and sot in the wood-shed, and I'd sot there quite er spell when I fell er thinkin' that the wood pile looked kinder slim and I might jest as well go an' look up some firewood. So I started to sharpenin' up the axe. I got it sharp, an' off I went up the mountain side. I hadn't gone mor'n er mile on the way to the maple wood when I leant up agin er big rock to rest a minute. Then I heered somewhar behind me er scratchin' an' er squealin' an' er whinn' that startled me, fur I knew what they war.

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One of the finest wheel horses on the Democratic side is clifton it. Breckinging of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge of Arkansasa. He is the son of John C. Breckingidge will be a prominent of William L. Wilson, its flat the propose of the son of the s

irosty night, and leaves them to produce their effect upon his hearers. In the coming fight over the tariff Mr. Breckinridge will be a prominent figure.

No list of the Democratic wheelhorses would be perfect without the name of Josiah Patterson of Tennessee. Fut him into the traces with Livingston and they would look like brothers, yet the latter fought the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act to the bitter end, and the former advocated it. They are alike in style manner, appearance, and disposition. Each has the courage of his convictions, and each would die in his tracks before surrendering to a fee. Patterson fought the Anti-Cition bill like a hero. Hice Pierce warned him of he writh the come for standing by his convictions, but when the wrath diegome it snatched Theree haid headed and lett. Patterson with overs 0.000 majority. When, with equal obstinacy, Mr. Patterson acod by Presides and obstinacy, Mr. Patterson shout the wrath come of yet from present indications when the was compelled to cross a bridge over a guich. Just as he reached the bridge, one rail of which was gone, his sail was twisted by a whiri of the wind, and he narrowly escaped being dashed to pieces in the ravine.





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roportionate breadth other hips on the ground that she was greatly devoted to horse-back riding. The stout man pounds off his avoirdupois at will with a canter in the Park. The atout woman tumbles herself into a least point on her horse and rides until she is lained to no purpose whatever. In England, where there is a great deal of cross-country riding by a company of the compan

WOMEN'S APPEALS FOR WORK

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Hard to Obtain - Country Girls Should Stay at Home and Not Crowd the City. One of the most pathetic features of the great battle for bread is the suffering of the women in the ranks. The lists of the unemployed are constantly augmented by an influx

mothers, or some one ready to encourage them In their vanity by securing them an opening on the stage, and many a woman whose chief recommendation to favor is the notoriety of the divorce court or some scandal in high place. will receive precedence and honor before the unknown girl of talent.

"It is perfectly astonishing as well as heartbreaking," said Mme. Fernandez, the mother in Israel of stageland, "to see the class of women that are coming now and begging for the most humble places on the stage, teachers, shopgirls, stenographers, and typewriters, trained nurses, and servant girls. Last week a professional nurse more than 50 years of age, and a great deal larger than I am, came here to get a place on the stage. When I asked her what qualifications she thought she possessed that gave her the right to ask for such a position, she said, 'Two besides the necessity of earning my living, which I find it impossible to do in the profession I have practised for more than twenty years-intelligence and common sense.' I told her that her intelligence and common sense should teach her better than to ask for anything on the stage at her age. And an Irish girl, with a distinct brogue, came in to-day to do tragedy parts. If only the good, bright, country girls would stay in their comfortable homes, even if they didn't have but one best dress a year, and would marry the good honest men that would take care of them and respect them, it would be so much better. The longer you stay in it the more you feel like saving 'Don't' to every girl

that wants to go on the stage. "Success costs too much that is dear to woman. It is too uncertain and short-lived to pay the price. One mistake and the world you had at your feet is ready to turn its back on you. But it isn't only the new recruits that crowd the agencies. Our own girls are coming back all the time out of work. You see the theatre is a luxury. It is the place where economy begins in every household. The result is that managers are curtailing their forces, road companies are getting stranded and going under. The girls all somehow find their way back to New York, because it is the great centre of dramatic activity and they hope to find employment. Yes, and women of place and once of wealth come, too, to try to earn good dollars by real work, as in the old days they earned fulsome flattery in amateur performances. Just the other day an old-time actress came back to us. She married a rich broker; but he had lost his money, and she thought she could support the family by

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More interest will be taken in scholastic football this week than ever before this year as the opening games in the two interscholastic leagues will be played. The boys have drawn up excellent schedules, and the league Presidents are determined to see that the games are played properly.

Much of the success of the games rests with the Presidents of the leagues. Howard Whitney, Iresident of the regular Interscholastic League, is very anxious to see that the scriegis played without any of those distressing circumstances which have marred scholastic football in previous years. Whitney is the captain of the Harvard scholastic football in previous years. Whitney is the captain of the Harvard scholastic football in previous years. Whitney is the captain of the Harvard scholastic football in previous years. Whitney is the captain of the Harvard school cleven, and is very popular in New York and in Brooklyn, where he attended the Adelphi Academy and the Polytechnic Institute. He is also a member of the Oxford A. A. quite a prominent schoolboy organization across the big bridge. The honor of organization decreases the big bridge. The honor of organization the Junior Interscholastic League belongs to Charles H. Machen of Wisson and Kellogs is last Tucsday alternoon. Then he hustled around and prepared for a meeting. He had all the plans taid out, and with the ablo assistance of the applains of the other schools has succeeded in at once forming a league, which promines to be a permanent and useful organization. In recognition of Machen's edition of the law of the leading officer of the object of the captain of the horizon season of the captain of the horizon season of the law of t

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out of town. Capable needlewomen have been employed at making nurses, and servants, dresses and aprons to be sold for exactly what the material and the labor amount to. More of this work was given out during the past summer than usual, and it remains in the wardrobes as yet unsold. The chief difficulty with providing additional relief for the unemployed in this extremity is that the resources of aimest all relief institutions are cut down by the financial condition of their supporters. Few, if any, of these institutions are endowed, and they are supported by voluntary subscriptions from their patrons. The natural result is that now, when there is the greatest demand on them, their treasuries are depleted and they dare not assume new obligations, because they cannot call upon their supporters for additional efferings. The women of the association argue that all people who are earning or making more money than is absolutely essential to their support ought to form themselves into a relief committee and help the need that lies nearest, without waiting for organizations to seek or disturse the help every man owes his brother and every IT IS NOT FOR AMBITION OR TO FUL-

women in the ranks. The lists of the unemployed are constantly augmented by an influx of women, entirely inexperienced, to whom the necessity for self-support has come unexpectedly. Housekeepers are hiring fewer servants, seamstresses are not at all in demand, and type writers and stenographers are seeking employment in other lines of work. As the demand for work increases the demand for workers decreases.

In the face of all this every incoming train brings its addition of ambitious girls and women, hoping to find for themselves the access they read of other women workers having achieved. Of course the pressure is brought to bear first upon the theatrical agencies, for a very great many girls are ambitious to act. They come from San Francisco, from the South, from the New England hamlets, and speak their poor little pieces in a style of elocution that would not be tolerated it it could be heard in the theatre. Their friends have assured them that they have great dramatic genius, and, though the railway ticket exhausts their entire resources, they rush into to them directly thor strike the town. Now, the authorities upon theatrical matters will tell you how difficult, and often impossible, it is, except with the leverage of great natural advantages or of money to bestow, to induce a manager to give a girl her preliminary stage for her continuance on the stage are small, for many women have husbands or fathers, mothers, or some one really tencourage them in their vanity by securing them an opening in their vanity by securing them an opening in from the prevention of the situations. The population of the situations of the supplicants of piece in trying to act situations here. They are the proposition of the proposition of the method of the proposition of the proposition

the woman who doesn't know how to do anything well, because it is the best paid of literary work.

The surprising thing about the situation is that the superintendents of the large retail stores unanimously report no particular increase in the demand made upon them for work. While many men of experience as salesmen in important departments come in to seek for a situation, few. if any, experienced women apply. As for the inexperienced, occasionally one may modestly ask for work, whose attire and bearing suggest that she has seen better days, but the majority of the recruits are young girls just arrived at the age when they would in any event have to seek some kind of work, with a sprinkling, perhaps, of the daughters of men who would never have allowed their girls to join the ranks of the worker except for their own enforced idleness.

The future predicates but little that is encouraging. The girl with what is called in the vernacular "a job," wants to hold it down hard and thank heaven for her good luck. The girl on the farm or in the village home had better encourage the young man who hangs over her particular gate, for these are the days when husbands and providers are handy to have in the rest, it is better to save the energy wasted on talking and writing it. It is that that makes the good average woman who married the good average man she loved best feel that her life is narrow and unsatisfactory. It is that grandiose talk that spurs the ambition of the country girl to come here to gain glory, where it is a hard matter to get bread with good butter to go with it, for there are so many mouths, and so little bread.

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The only change or variety that comes to a woman on the cars is when a meal is declared "ready in de diner." Then she can stretch her legs and start her blood in circulation. That is to say, she can walk half a block three times a day. Or all the changes and improvements that have been made in the best cars in the whole history of railronding, only one has been made especially for the women. That is the recent introduction of the dressing room. Until a short time ago the men had a room at the end of a car with these wash bowls and plenty of towels and mirrors, but the women had nothing more than a closed such as is used to keep brooms and a dust ran in at home. In it was one hand howl, a little mirror, and perhaps two towels. Only one woman could get in the little roke hole at one time, and with the rule of "lirst come, first served," it often happened that a woman who was roudy for bedat women hand down, a little mirror, and pertain the mass with the women have the enjoyment of undress till 1930 or 100 clock. The queer thing was that the women have the enjoyment of undress till 1930 or 100 clock. The queer thing was that the women have the enjoyment of undress till 1930 or 100 clock. The queer thing was that the women have the enjoyment of the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men will not, for woman engotic the form and the men wil haps two towels. Only one woman could get in the little role hole at one time, and with the rule of "lirst come, first served," it often happened that a woman who was roady for bed at is in, had no chance to undress till 1930 or 10 orlock. The queer thing was that the women needed the big room and the men wid not, for woman cannot undress ma lunk, and men toth can and do. Nowadays the women have the enjoyment of large dressing rooms their only conquest from the mass-ulines who run the railroads.

The latest change in the best cars is an improvement in the methed of vestibuling the solid trains that are used on the principal route to Washington. Instead of a little constricted passage from coach to coach, the new vestibule is a large square, well-lighted room. It is made by covering the platform steps with trap doors that extend the floor to the full width of the cars. The platforms meet as if they were comented together, a carnot covers the floor, great lights of plate glass let in all the davlight, and thus a number of rooms are alled to each train. This, also, is a gain for women, for they can stand or set upon each providege that was before that only obtainable by such men as cared to sit out on the end platform and swallow smoke and cinders by the mile. But the women will like the improvement most for the chance it gives them to take a little exercise in waiking out to the vestibules and standing there till they are to return to the cushom they have paid for, which is all the railroads will give them.

# This Man Was In ocent, and His Friend the

### A NEW SOURCE OF PROFIT. THE BEECHNUT HARVEST.

Plentiful and Valuable, It Is Eastly Gathered When One Knows How to Do It.

NORTHWOOD, N. Y., Nov. 4.-Among the crops which nature provides with lavish hand in this region is the beechnut. Every ridge in the edge of the New York wilderness, and very likely every one throughout the whole region. is covered with beech and mapie trees. The maple is made to yield a valuable harvest each spring, but the harvest of the beech tree grows and ripens year fafter year and falls unheeded to the ground. Of course, almoss every beast of the forest fattens on the beechnut crop, but of the delicious little nuts, save for a quart or so sometimes gathered by the children, no account is made by the people.

The reason for this is obvious to any one who has ever tried to gather the erop in the usual way-that is, by picking them up by hand after the frost has opened the burrs to let them fall to the ground. There is no harder nut to find among the fallen leaves nor one harder to get hold of after it is found than the beechnut. Its rich, dark, chestnut coat is only shade darker than the leaves above it, and it is almost as black as the mould beneath. But once it is seen the little body, enclosed by four triangles, cludes the fingers as a chipmunk might do. A family of four who gathered a milk pan full during an afternoon recently were counted by their neighbors as having been remarkably cleves at the work, although the ground was thickly strewn with the nuts. Another reason why this nut is neglected is

that its meat, when once procured, is very small, while the cracking of the tiny shell to get it is vexatious, although not really difficult. Nevertheless, to those who know how to use them, the beechnuts are about the best of the American nut crops, while those who know how to do it and are properly prepared can harvest them rather more easily than any other kind of nut.

Placed in a dripping pan and roasted in the oven, the beechnuts pop open with a tremendous racket, and the kernels are easily extracted, and are then found better eating than roasted chestnuts.

Taken from the shell in the ordinary fashion by splitting with a pocketknife, the kernels are found to be extremely good eating raw, or they may be used separately or mixed with other nuts in making nut cake. The flavor of the beechnut in a well-made cake will be found delicious.

Naturally they would make very good nut candy, but on account of the slow process of taking the meats from the shells they are not so used. It costs too much to extract the meats; besides, there are very few

## TROLLEY DRIVING IS NOT FUN.

One Driver Kerps at It in His Sicep, and Dram. He is Mangling Pedestrians.

The motorman of a Greene avenue trolley car was leaning over the dashboard and straining his eyes to see into the darkness. while one hand was on the brake and the other held the handle that turned the electric current on and off. The car was bowling down hill at something like fifteen miles an hour, and the motorman kept his gong going to warn pedestrians on the cross walks and drivers of teams on the cross streets. At last the toot of the bill was reached, and the worst of the strain on the man was relieved. "Did you ever drive a horse car?" a passen-

ger inquired.
"I did, sir; fourteen years in this city." "Which would you rather do-drive horses

or run a trolley car?"